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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: SHUSTER et al.

Serial No.: 09/648,474

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Title: METHOD, APPARATUS AND SYSTEM FOR HOSTING INFORMATION EXCHANGE GROUPS ON A WIDE AREA NETWORK

Art Unit: 2154

Examiner: Dustin Nguyen

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated January 4, 2005, or until June 6, 2005 (the first business day following June 4, 2005).

The Commissioner is authorized to charge \$225.00 for the two-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17(a)(2), and any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-0639.

Date: June 6, 2005

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